

## CABINET FOR HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES DEPARTMENT FOR MEDICAID SERVICES

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TO: Physicians (64) Provider Letter A-362; Physicians (65) Group Provider Letter A-21

**RE:** Fluoride Varnish

Dear KyHealth Choices Provider:

Effective July 1, 2007, the Department for Medicaid Services will begin reimbursing Physicians to administer topical Fluoride Varnish to the teeth of Medicaid eligible clients through age four (4).

Topical fluoride applications are one of the most effective ways to prevent, slow down, arrest and even reverse early cavities. Dentists have been providing fluoride services for decades. Fluoride varnish provides Physicians with a superior method of fluoride application, especially for children through four (4) years of age. The provider need not seek prior authorization for this service to these young Medicaid recipients. The Physicians will bill for the service using code D1206. To be eligible for reimbursement, the D1206 code must be billed in conjunction with an office visit exam code. The procedure will be allowed once every ninety (90) days up to a maximum of two (2) times per twelve (12) months. The reimbursement rate for the D1206 code is set at \$15.00.

The Department appreciates your commitment to providing the needed healthcare services to Kentucky Medicaid members. If you have any questions concerning these changes, please contact Charles Douglass at (502) 564-6511, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. (eastern-time).

Sincerely

Glenn Jennings Commissioner

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